

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Combined Forces Command – Afghanistan Kabul, Afghanistan

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

SUBJECT: Process of Approval of Accommodation Consignment Agreements and Rights of Entry

- 1. The purpose of this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is to establish the process for the request and approval of Accommodation Consignment Agreements (ACA) and Rights of Entry (RoE) for United States military use of land from the Government of Afghanistan (GoA).
- 2. Whereas a definitive process is needed for the review and approval of ACA's and RoE's, the Parties agree as follows:
- a. The relevant agency or department of the United States military will forward all ACA's and RoE's to the Minister of Defense (MoD) or his designee. The MoD shall act on such requests on behalf of the GoA and will endeavor to take expeditious action on all requests, including the pending Accommodation Consignment Agreements for Bagram Air Field and Kandahar Air Field. The MOD or his designee shall serve as the point of contact for all future United States military land and facilities requests and shall inform the United States of the person to whom such requests shall be directed.
- b. Such requests are, by their nature, sensitive matters and the parties shall exercise maximum discretion when considering such requests to ensure operational security and the protection of coalition forces. When the agreement requires coordination or consultation with other agencies or departments of the Government of Afghanistan, the MoD will endeavor to undertake any and all reasonable and necessary efforts to effect such coordination with a view toward ultimate execution of ACA's and RoE's. When such is deemed necessary and proper, the MoD will shall endeavor to undertake reasonable and necessary efforts to secure the land subject to said request in order to facilitate the execution of ACA's and RoE's. If the United States has delivered to the MoD a valid draft agreement reasonable on its face and necessary for the completion of the Coalition military mission, and the agreement remains unsigned or unacted upon, the agreement document will be deemed accepted as of the thirtieth day.
- c. In the event that private land is required for the execution of such an agreement. The Parties agree that the local residents will be compensated for the use or value of their land in an amount determined by the GoA. If the GoA determines that it does not own the land, it will acquire the land in accordance with GoA law and amend the ACA or RoE to provide for future consignment to the United States of America. Accordingly, the GoA agrees to be responsible for any and all payments of compensation to individuals required by its laws if said individuals can prove ownership of the subject land in the appropriate court.

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